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SUBJ: MINTOFF STATEMENT ON VISITS TO CAIRO AND TRIPOLI

REF: CAIRO 1477

1. ON RESUMPTION OF PARLIAMENT MAY 23, MINTOFF MADE BRIEF STATEMENT ON HIS RECENT VISITS TO CAIRO AND TRIPOLI, AND TABLED TRADE AGREEMENT SIGNED DURING HIS VISIT TO EGYPT (SEPTTEL.

2. AFTER LISTING EGYPTIAN OFFICIALS WITH WHOM HE MET, MINTOFF SAID THAT MALTESE DEL HAD THREE AIMS DURING VISIT: (A) " TO STUDY WAYS TO STRENGTHENING THE EUROPEAN INITIATIVE TOWARDS CREATING A NEW ATMOSPHERE BETWEEN ISRAEL AND ARAB COUNTRIES WITH A VIEW TO A PEACE SETTLEMENT; (B) TO PROBE INTO THE IMPLICATIONS FOR MALTA OF THE IMMINENT UNION
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BETWEEN EGYPT AND LIBYA; AND (C) TO INITIATE CULTURAL,
ECONOMIC, AND TRADE COOPERATION BETWEEN EGYPT AND MALTA."

3. ON HIS STOPOVER IN LIBYA MINTOFF SAID THAT " APART
FROM DISCUSSING IMPLICATION FOR MALTA TO THE UNION BETWEEN
LIBYA AND EGYPT, THE LATEST DEVELOPMENTS IN THE MED. AND
WAYS TO EXPEDITE ECONOMIC COOPERATION BETWEEN THE TWO
COUNTRIES WERE ALSO DISCUSSED."
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